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SIR:

This is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 to extend the time period for filing a Response to the Official Action dated November 5, 2002 in the above-captioned patent application. Applicants respectfully request that the time period for reply be extended for a period of two months, from March 5, 2003 up to and including April 7, 2003.

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